

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2352**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member John A. Perez**

February 19, 2010

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An act to add Section 14132.70 to the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to Medi-Cal.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2352, as introduced, John A. Perez. Medi-Cal: organ transplants: antirejection medication.

Existing law establishes the Medi-Cal program, administered by the State Department of Health Care Services, under which basic health care services are provided to qualified low-income persons. Under existing law, organ transplants and donor surgeries are covered as reimbursable services under the Medi-Cal program.

This bill would provide that a Medi-Cal beneficiary shall remain eligible to receive Medi-Cal coverage for antirejection medication for up to 2 years following an organ transplant, unless during that period the beneficiary becomes eligible for Medicare or private health insurance that would cover the medication.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 14132.70 is added to the Welfare and
- 2 Institutions Code, to read:
- 3 14132.70. A Medi-Cal beneficiary shall remain eligible to
- 4 receive Medi-Cal coverage for antirejection medication for up to

- 1 two years following an organ transplant, unless during that period
- 2 the beneficiary becomes eligible for Medicare or private health
- 3 insurance that would cover the medication.

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